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*Death rate of Berlin.*

I have to report that the death rate of Berlin for the week ended February 21 was somewhat lower than in the two foregoing weeks, and amounted, calculated upon the year, to 15.9 per thousand of the population, this being lower than for the corresponding week of last year, in which it amounted to 16.6. Of the large German cities, during this week, Carlsruhe, Kiel, Essen, Barmen, Crefeld, Braunschweig, Charlottenburg (with 11.2), and Schöneberg (with 8.7 per thousand) showed more favorable conditions than Berlin. But the mortality rate was considerably higher than that of Berlin in Leipzig, Dresden, Munich, Nürnberg, Cologne, Stettin, Königsberg, and Breslau, as well as in London, Paris, and Vienna. There was in this week a considerable increase in the number of deaths among children in their first year. The death rate among infants rose, since the second February week, from 3.1 to 4.1 per mille. Thirty-six deaths resulted from acute diseases of the intestines. Acute diseases of the respiratory organs claimed 63 victims (as compared with 83 in the foregoing week). There were also registered 83 deaths from consumption and 18 deaths from influenza. Forty persons died of cancer. An increase was noted in the number of cases of scarlet fever, which caused 8 deaths. Further, there occurred 8 deaths from measles and 9 deaths from diphtheria. Twelve persons died by violence.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

## HAWAII.

*Quarantine transactions, month of February, 1903.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cofer, chief quarantine officer, Hawaii, reports March 2 and 9 as follows:

## PORT OF HONOLULU.

[Incoming quarantine.]

Vessels inspected from foreign ports.....	24
Vessels inspected from domestic ports.....	18
Crew inspected .....	2,993
Cabin passengers inspected .....	841
Steerage passengers and stowaways inspected.....	1,484
Sick in detention from last month.....	0
Detention from last month .....	0
Sick in detention for this month.....	0
Detention for this month .....	0
Pieces of baggage disinfected.....	0
Packages of freight disinfected .....	0

## PORT OF HILO.

Vessels inspected .....	4
Crew inspected .....	85
Passengers inspected .....	9
Vessels remanded .....	0

## PORT OF KAHULUI.

Vessels inspected .....	0
Crew inspected .....	0
Passengers inspected.....	0
Vessels remanded.....	0

## PORT OF KIEI.

Vessels inspected .....	0
Crew inspected .....	0
Passengers inspected.....	0
Vessels remanded.....	0